REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks herein.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 25 will be pending. As shown above, claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13 and 25 have been amended, and claims 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17-24 and 26-40 have been canceled.

§112 Rejection of Claim 25

In Section 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. As noted above claim 25 has been amended, thereby obviating the rejection of claim 25. Accordingly, it is submitted that the Examiner's rejection of claim 25 based upon 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, has been obviated and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

§102 Rejection of Claims 1 - 40

In Section 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected claims 1 – 40 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being unpatentable over Bogosian et al. (U.S. Patent 6,760,470; hereinafter referred to as "Bogosian"). This rejection is respectfully traversed below.

Regarding claim 1, as shown above, claim 1 has been amended and calls for:

> 1. (Currently Amended) A method of processing a reception of an order on-line business comprising the steps of:
> carrying out processing for receiving an on-line input of order information on specified business from an orderer and

processing for obtaining payment certifying information for
certifying payment for the order; and

after receiving the order information, supplying the orderer
on on-line output and by displaying on a screen an information
indicating that the order has been received, before a result of
authorization about the payment certifying information is
presented.

Accordingly, in one aspect of claim 1, the information indicating that the order has been
received is supplied on on-line output and by displaying the information on a screen *after* the
order information is received and *before* an authorization result is presented. Hence, claim 1
defines a particular sequence for these operations : (a) receiving order information, then (b)
displaying on a screen information indicating the order has been received, and then (c)
presenting an authorization result. (See, e.g., the Specification of the present application at page
18, lines 10-25, and Figures 6 and 7.)

It does not appear that the Examiner's arguments address how Bogosian shows the
specific sequence called for in claim 1, in particular displaying the order received information
before presenting a result of authorization. In rejecting claim 1, the Examiner refers to column 13
of Bogosian. However, it appears that the referenced passage addresses displaying an order
confirmation page that a user can use to confirm an order before submitting the order. This order
confirmation page is displaying a confirmation of an order *to be submitted*, not for an order that
has been submitted, as in claim 1. Therefore, it does not appear that the Examiner's arguments
explain how the referenced portions of Bogosian show the specific operations and their relative
sequence called for in claim 1.

Accordingly, it does not appear that the Examiner has established how Bogosian, as
referenced by the Examiner in rejecting claim 1, shows or suggests at least these aspects of
amended claim 1, and so it is submitted that the Examiner has not established how Bogosian

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shows or suggests amended claim 1 as a whole. Claim 2 depends from claim 1, and it is also submitted that the Examiner has not established how Bogosian shows or suggests claim 2, through its dependence on claim 1. Similar arguments apply to claims 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 25.

Claims 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17-24 and 26-40 have been canceled, thereby obviating the rejection thereof.

Based upon the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1 - 40 are not anticipated by nor rendered obvious by the teachings of Bogosian, as presented and referenced by the Examiner. Accordingly, it is submitted that the Examiner's rejection of claims 1 - 40 based upon 35 U.S.C. §102(e) has been overcome by the present remarks and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, entry of this amendment, and the allowance of this application with claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 25 is respectfully solicited.

In regard to the claims amended herein and throughout the prosecution of this application, it is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record, and that these claims were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Changes to these claims, as presented herein, are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§101, 102, 103 or 112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

In the event that additional cooperation in this case may be helpful to complete its prosecution, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number written below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account 50-0320.

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